Fact Sheet



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What is a Sales Tax Holiday?

✓ A Sales Tax Holiday is a temporary period when retail sales taxes are not collectible or payable on all or a specific class of purchases.

When is Virginia's Sales Tax Holiday?

✓ Virginia's Sales Tax Holiday will begin at 12:01 a.m. on Friday, August 4, and end at midnight on Sunday, August 6. In future years, the Sales Tax Holiday will begin at 12:01 a.m. on the first Friday in August and end at midnight on the Sunday immediately following.

What items will be exempt from the retail sales tax during Virginia's Sales Tax Holiday?

✓ Sales tax will be suspended on school supplies costing \$20 or less per item, and clothing and footwear costing \$100 or less per article/pair.

Why is the Commonwealth having a Sales Tax Holiday?

✓ The Virginia General Assembly unanimously approved a Sales Tax Holiday to help families with children in school and to help boost the retail economy in Virginia, in general.

Who does the Sales Tax Holiday benefit?

✓ The Sales Tax Holiday benefits both consumers and businesses in the Commonwealth.

Where is the Sales Tax Holiday applicable?

✓ The Sales Tax Holiday is applicable at any place of business in Virginia that sells the items to be exempted during the three-day period.

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